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Title: Tissue Impulse Drying	)		

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The present Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2004 in regards to the above-captioned application. Please enter the following Amendment.

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**AMENDMENT**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra		Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims	33	minus	33	=	0	X \$18 =	\$ .00
Independent Claims	3	minus	3	=	0	x \$86 =	\$ .00
If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time, add \$290.00 (per application)							\$ .00
Since Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>October 2, 2004</u> , <b>PETITION</b> is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$110; 2 months \$420; 3 months \$950; 4 months \$1480)							\$ .00
If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00)							\$ .00
<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>							\$ .00
If "small entity" verified statement filed [ ] previously, [ ] herewith, enter one-half (½) of subtotal and <u>subtract</u>							\$ .00
<b>TOTAL:</b>							\$ .00
Other:							\$ .00
<b>TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED:</b>							\$ .00

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